

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: HOWLAND, Charles A.      Group Art Unit: 1772  
Serial No.                      10/763,555                      Examiner: THOMAS, Alexander S  
Filed:                              1/23/2004                      Atty. Dkt. No: W0490/7020-US

For: METHOD FOR MAKING ADHESIVE FABRIC JOINTS WITH HEAT AND PRESSURE  
BY COMPARING ACTUAL JOINT PARAMETERS TO PRE-CALCULATED OPTIMAL  
JOINT PARAMETERS

To:      Mail Stop Amendment  
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**OFFICE ACTION RESPONSE**  
**AMENDMENT**  
**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office's Non-Final Office Action dated 02/09/06, Applicant has  
timely enclosed herein: 12 pages Office Action Response, 4 pages Replacement drawing  
sheets. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3  
of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 9 of this paper and include attached  
replacement sheets for Figs. 1-8.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.

An Appendix including 5 replacement sheets of drawing figures 1-8 is attached following  
page 12 of this paper.

DEPOSIT ACCOUNT 500323 AUTHORIZATION - All necessary fees relating to the attached  
submittal, if any, are intended to be included. However, the Office is hereby authorized to charge  
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